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"To date African counterwing has developed along two lines. In some sections there has been the construction of irrigation works to make with the aid of the flood waters which result in so many of Africa's rivers after the equatorial rains. Of an entirely different character has been the spread of cultivation in the expansive grasslands which make up the great plateau of the African interior.

"By far the greatest part of Africa's cotton crop is still found along the Nile River. For many years there has been some water drawn from the Nile to irrigate a small acreage just to the porth of Khartum, but it has been planned for twenty years to develop the lands to the south known as the Gezira district, 'the island' embraced by the White and Blue Niles as they converge at Khartum. The opening of the dam at that point in the past year has now made possible the irrigation of 300,000 acres, which on a three-year rotation scheme means about 100,000 acres yearly in cotton.

"From the Gezira south there is no large area of cotton planting along the upper Nile, but around the headwaters of the river in the regions surrounding Lake Victoria Nyanza is the most important cotton growing district in Africa outside of Egypt itself. It is this area which accounts for the crops of Uganda, Kenya and Tanganyia

velopments that have been necessary strengest incentive to the development to make cotton growing feasible in this of potentialities such as Africa posterritory.

"Except for the coastal plain, most of the Union of South Africa is dry and better suited to stock husbandry than to crops. In the northeast, how-ever, in the Transvaal, especially This is the Chief Crop in Pro- around Rustenberg, as the veld falls away to the coastal plain, in Zululand and the adjoining district of Natal as well as in Swaziland, the cultivation of cotton is possible.

"Progress of cotton cultivation among the natives in the interior of the Belgian Congo in the past few years has been remarkable. The backbone of the country's transportation system, the carriage to the Atlantic is very The Largest Part of the Yield Is long and necessitates much rehandling. evide to of what the possibilities are.

large projects of the twentieth cen- brought the cotton production up to a National Bank of Comparison of Continent's of the pointed out that the parts of West Africa, but in general interest is centred in other things such as cocca, nuts and rubber. Northern Africa has only a very narrounder to be shough which, though its being made to a strictly a production in the past season was left New York October 17 in company with the Sahara.

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lands situated in the high plateaus of the supply of capital necessary to extend railway facilities to these areas. the need of incentives to stimulate inhave found the fight against grass and weevil difficult enough even with so

many facilities at their command. that market that the African crop will take its place. It apparently offers no threat to those who are producing at a fair cost, but its progress suggests in this area. the fundamental unsoundness in the view that the boll-weevil has been a blessing to the South, or in similar reasoning. A limitation on the American supply which so largely increases its unit cost of production and which subfects the world's cotton manufacturing industry to constant crop hazard is the

AFRICA LOOMS ~

(Columbian Press Bureau)

WASHINGTON, June 11-Accordhowever, is still the Congo River and ing to the National Bank of Commerce, of New York, which has just long and necessitates much rehandling.

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development of transport factories and on a large barrage upon which 10.000. To date, African cotton growing has imprisoned shortly after his arrival at the dissemination of corry he germ of education and experience works of enduring character which carry he germ of the development of the current year. The development of the transport factories are to be expended in the current year. The development of the transport factories are to be expended in the current year. The development of the escions there has been the current year. which result in so many of Africa's present cojected to min. He sued the man-which result in so many of Africa's ager of the cabaret and won damages. The a white woman was abrested rivers after the equatorial rains. Of manager was fined. sion of large possibilities in the way of an entirely different character has manager was fined.

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> Tovalou took a law degree and assumed can, who charged him with swip-"The world cotton market, on the ing undertaken by the French along from a fashionable restaurant. whole, is a free market and it is in the upper Niger River, and it is prob-

Received in Chicago as Distinguished Guest, He Lands in Dahomey Cell as Swindler

The exploitation of the almost untouched resources in the vast interior of the African Continent is one of the large projects of the twentieth continent is one of the large projects of the large projects of the large projects of the large projects of the of the almost untouched resources in the various adventures in New York Stirred Up Comment When

woman of Chicago, and her seven-year-"A promising enterprise is being un- lishment of great irrigation works, old daughter, is charged with swindling "Africa's contribution to world pro-chetion in the past season for over-shadowed by the tig American crop," taken of the flood period of this river. Easys the bank, "but the establishment of crop education and experience are the successful struggle against na-several persons out of a total of \$12.350.

It has been hoped that over a half mil-

times this amount as well as the ex- sections there has been the constructure Montmartre cabaret because Americans left expectations has tension of railway facilities to serve it. crops, with the aid of the flood waters present objected to him. He sued the mannature land in 'company with lands situated in the high plateaus of the cabaret and was deposited to him.

cotton production in the future, but its been the spread of cultivation in the "Prince" then declared himself reached Dahomey, according development will necessarily be slow, expansive grasslands which make "President of the Universal League for the to Le Matin. The great distances to be traversed, up the great plateau of the African Defense of the Black Race" and went to Not only was the "Prince" are New York, where he joined forces with rested on charges of swindling va-Progress of cotton cultivation Marcus Garvey, now in the Atlanta peni- rious persons, but the police say he

be less threatening than the American Nigeria it has been the penetration bell-weevil- these and other obstacles of the railway from Lagos into the payment of a bill for a hat, cloak and lin- According to the King of Dahomey will suggest themselves to American interior that has furnished the basis payment of a bill for a hat, cloak and lin- According to the was farmers in the old cotton belt who for the expansion that has brought gerie for a woman companion. He expansion that has brought gerie for a woman companion. the cotton production up to 30,000 plained he had expected funds to cover Public Prosecutor of Cotoneu in

> able that an output of half a million the title of "Prince" in Bordeaux, says to brought the total to \$12,350. bales, annually, may soon be possible Matin, and then came to Paris, where he

NEGRO 'PRINCE' FOOLS ARRINGE KOJO CHARGE SWINDLING

He Visited United States and Later Sailed for Home in Company of White Woman

PARIS, June 28. - "Prince Kojo Tovaleu-Huenu" of Dahomey, Africa, who recently stirred up comment when he

Prince Tovaleu once was expelled from a Montmartre cabaret in Paris because Americans objected to his being admitted. The affair reached the police courts and the manager of the cabaret was fined. The Prince received damages and became well known in Paris as a defender of the black race.

Later the Prince, who termed himself "President of the Universal League for the Defense of the Black Race," went to the United States, where he placed himself at the disposal of Marcus Garvey.

Le Matin says that Tovaleu is well educated; that he took a law degree and the title of "Prince of Bordeaux, France." and then came to Paris, where he was inscribed as a barrister.

"Prince Toyaleu" got into trouble in Chicago while he was in the United States last year. He was arrested on a charge of passing a bogus check, but pleaded that he had expected to receive funds to cover the amount-\$118, which was his bill for a hat, cloak and lingerie bought for a woman. The "Prince." who was received as a distinguished visitor in Chicago, was ejected from a Loop restaurant during one of his tours of the city.

A Harlem woman gave the "Prince" a few disturbing minutes by demanding \$300 which she said

An address of outstanding interest and importance was delivered before the Johannes urg Rotary Club last month by Dr. Harold Mayer on the general treatment by their employers of the Mative mine workers on the Rand Cold mines All Mater prefaced his address by transpoint that white work men in the mines in south white wages are much cause for simply at Their wages are to higher than the world's average wage, Aristocrats and they are able to maintain a standard of life which workers in other countries are unable to attain to. In so far as 2 matives are concerned, it is perhaps not sufficiently appreciated how multiplied mines of the Rand do to promote the wellbeing of their coloured employees whilst at work on the mines. In this respect Mr. Mayer's re-MANY HAVE LONG marks on the subject are of very considerable interest

promptly informed; average wages at 2s. to half a crown a day, equivalent to £6 monthly for twenty six working days.

Many Comforts.

While at work mine natives are given good food, plentiful and varied. The diet nounced candidacy of several of our to pass through the censorship of school was founded in its elementary scale fixed by law is regarded strictly as a well known politicians who aspire to minimum, and there is no gold mining com-represent this country in Liberia, Afpany that does not exceed it both in quantity rica, in the capacity of Minister Resi- the only radio outfit in the realm. and quality. The living rooms of mine dent and Counsel General, directs atnatives are spacious and clean; there is an tention to a very interesting article, unlimited supply of hot and cold water, and by John W. Vandercook, a noted anthe cleanliness of body and clothing is made thropologist, which appears in the october number of World's Work. as easy as possible.

a cinema circuit with carefully selected films, tocrats who rule in high hats. Altogether Dr. Harold Mayer's lecture will black broadcloth, yellow spats and kid be an eye opener to most people, who still, gloves, the writer claims that they quite wrongly, view the natives working in despise the natives with withering the great South African gold mines under contempt. primitive conditions bordering on slavery whereas the opposite is the actual case.

EDUCATION SALVATION OF AFRICA, DUBE SAYS

Native Zulu Educator Speaks to Negroes at Tuskegee Institute

TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE, ALA., Dec. library. 27. Special to The Advertiser.-Redemption of Africa through education Mr. Vandercook remarks, "In spite of is now the hope of African natives, the fact that citizenship and property declared John L. Trube, parive Zulu ownership is forbidden white men, less educator, in an address shere Sunday than one per cent of all Liberian bush evening. Ignorance and tribalism have been the forces which have most retarded the advancement of the native, according to the speaker. Definite steps are being taken to overcome "But today, I think, Liberia stands" ignorance through education and tri- on the verge of an awakening," con-

is not far distant when Africa will ingly important quota of prominent again become a land of opportunity men to the world of Liberian affairs. for Africans."

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HONORARY DEGREES

Greater Vogue

(Columbia News Service)

Many amusements are provided, including tocrats" who rule Liberia, and who are

"Many of the men, one is informed, print after their name the degrees

Lib. D., Litt. D., Ph. D., M. A., and what-not conferred by one of the little mission 'colleges' carrying its few pupils hardly through the high school grades. Liberia is a NATION WITH-OUT A SINGLE BOOKSTORE or a

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balism through the organization of the national tensional tensional tensional tensional tensional tensions and tensional tensions the enganization of the fines the writer. "She has many men in public life and out of it, of high intelligence, sound ability, and fine patriotism. The educated native-born Africans are adding an increasing in Africa," he said. The day

The men from in the forest are as Dube is principal of a native school a rule free from the superiorities and

Only One Newspaper in Empire of Abyssinia hence.

King of Kings, possesses but one 1900 Bishop Hartzell began Christian newspaper. It is called Berhanena station of the Methodist Episcopal newspaper It is called Berhanena peace", and has been published as a Bishop E. S. Johnson, it has spread and has been published as a weekly Their Resplen- Salem, which means "light and church in Rhodesia. From there unweekly for the last two years at until today the Rhodesian mission for the last two years at Addis-Abeba.

Addis-Abeba the is printed in the conference has four districts. The conference has four districts. The conference has four districts. The Christian community numbers 7.500 and there are 6.000 Sunday schools script, and fact the pupils enrolled in 90 schools. massive Miniopian script and each and there are now composed to the Emperor. Its contents comprise the Untali is the chief center for these Scandaleuse," elaborate descriptions of the Unitali is the chief center for these Scandaleuse, and there are now comprise the Emperor. Its contents comprise the Untali is the chief center for these Scandaleuse, and there are now contents are now contents. inevitable "Chronique Scandaleuse," four districts. Radiating from here elaborate descriptions of court and tory of 62,500 square miles, the size 150 holidays of the Abyssinian calenorganised industry, which employs approximately 184,000 natives, every one of them able to maintain touch with their relatives in the native territories. If a native is given the best medical treatment in a well-appointed hospital, and his family is promptly informed.

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Hartzell" is anhe owed her.

HOW NATIVES WORK IN RANC

MINES.

The was educated at Oberlin college and other institutions. At that time he also visited Tuskegee. He is remaining at the institute during the week studying the Tuskegee methods of institute. The password and the password and the password of the password central Africa is written a century

Umtali is the town that Cecil The Empire of Abyssinia, whose Rhodes gave to Bishop Joseph C.

The hub of the Umtali mission center is the Central Training school, school in honor of its founder. This four graduates of the higher departments received their diplomas. The -Columbia Press Service first four graduates came from four different tribes in Rhodesia. They are now pastors and teachers among their tribes

The course of study at Hartzell Training school is largely designed to educate pastor-teachers. But the graduates are equipped to lead their people in their everyday life activities, and in the training of practical dairymen, farmers and industrial They know how to irrigate the soil, to select and improve seed for planting and to introduce new regetables and cereals. Then they are taught to improve the breed of

cattle, of sheep, of goats. industrial departments they learn to make brick and erect brick buildings. to make brooms, to do blacksmithing, to make simple articles of furniture and household decoration. In the medical department all acquire the rudiments of first aid and of hygiene and sanitation. Some become qualified nurses.

So successful have been the services of Hartzell Training school that each year it has a larger enrollment and a large staff than before. It has outgrown the buildings in which it has been housed since 1900. If it is to continue and increase in this training of well equipped and practical leaders for Rhodesia it must have new and enlarged buildings,

Plans are already under way for erecting, as soon as building fundare secured, a central building to be used for assembly and administration purposes, and temporarily as a chapel for the large congregation. pending the raising of funds for a new church

ABYSSINIA HAS ONLY ONE NEWSPAPER

The Empire of Abyssinia, whose sovereign is the Negua Negusto, or Hartzell and the Methodist Episcopal church for a mission station. In sovereign is the Negus Negusti, or Kings, possesses but one King of, the Christian workers enter a terri- court and church celebrations on the

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BRITISH WEST AFRICA.

WEST AFRICAN ECHOES.

The British Zouaves.

West African readers will have seen with regret the announcement that the British Government has decided to disband the West India Regiment, which has often done good service on the West Coast during the last hundred years. The brilliant uniform (copie) from that we the Turco or Zouave regiment was amiliar in the rank of the regiment was amiliar in the rest of the capitals of he Gambia, Sierra Leone, and the Gold Coast, and it was, to the peoples of the colonies, the impersonation of the military might of the projecting Power. The rank and file have always had an honourable record for rand behaviour and orderliness, and fraternised with the peoples of the towns which they garrisoned. The purchases of iresh meat and vegetables for their consumption by the commissariat department was the basis of a not inconsiderable trade by which the people benefited, as they did also by the expenditure in the local markets of the soldiers' pay. The regimental bands were a source of great pleasure, and afforded the people their only opportunity of hearing and affection. Harsh or inconsiderate treatorchestral or concerted music. At the headquarters' stations the bands played every evening, generally from 8 to 9 p.m., in an open space to which the people thronged for the nightly entertainment. It was their Sir Ralph Abereromby (1796) and Sir John substitute for theatre, concert-room, musichall, and the other places of amusement in forces in the West Indies. In battle their European towns. Visitors to Wembley will favourite weapon was the bayonet, and their remember the excellent playing of the West eagerness to get to close quarters with the Indian Regimental band at the British Emenemy made it sometimes difficult to keep pire Exhibition, where the brilliant Zonave them under control. The regiments took attracted attention.

Genesis of the Regiment.

The first battalion to bear the title of "West India Regiment," authorised by proclamation of May 5, 1795, was not the first negro regiment in the British Army. At the end of the eighteenth century there were twelve batallions of negro troops them. At the storming of one of the drawing army pay, though several of them were not on the War Office roll. Some of them had been raised for service in America during the War of Independence; it was single-handed under heavy fire. In the one of the grievances of the rebellions states that their slaves had been armed and employed to subdue their former masters. These Ashanti attack; and had driven the enemy bands were named after the states in which they were originally raised; among them was arrived. At the critical time, when the "The Carolina Black Rangers," which was transport arrangements had broken down absorbed into the new regiment, and in for want of carriers, when the advance was memory of this the Caroline Laurel figures stopped, and there seemed to be a possi-in the crest of the 1st West India Regiment. bility that the march on Kumasi might have The number of these regiments fluctuated to be abandoned and the white troops sent with the importance of the West Indian home, they saved the situation by volunteer-Colonies, and diminished as the East Indian ing to act as carriers. They performed daily trade gradually onsted the sugar and tobacco marches of twice the usual military distance, trade from the first place in British com- each man carrying 50 lbs, of stores in addimerce. During the wars of the Revoluttion to his ordinary arms and accontrements. tionary era there were four regiments By the time that sufficient carriers had been bearing the title, but in April, 1819, the 4th collected to take over the duty they had was disbanded at Sierra Leone; 800 men were accumulated enough supplies at the front settled at the villages of York, Kent, and to enable the advance to be resumed. In the Wellington. The 3rd Regiment was perma- Great War the two battalions served with mently stationed in West Africa, while the distinction in the Cameroons and East Africa. 1st and 2nd were distributed among the and in 1918 added "Palestine" to the battle West Indian islands and British Guiana. bonours, which began with the capture of

One consequence of this was that the regiments were cut up into segments of three or four companies each, billeted in different Islands under different commanding officers, the difficulty which this may occasion has and the colonel in command never had more been foreseen, and steps will be taken to than six companies under his immediate com- carry the men over the period of unemploymand, and never saw the whole of his ment and until they can be absorbed into regiment, except when mustered for transport to the West Coast after the 3rd Regiment had been disbanded and the garrisoning of the stations there had been taken over by the two remaining regiments, serting there alternately for periods of three years. The West Coast tours were very popular with the officers, as there were opportunities of World Wide News obtaining temporary civil appointments when

always been noted for their good conduct and obedience. They had the African fidelity to officers who gained their confidence ment drove them into a sullen listlessness. but it never developed into wild acts of insubordination. They were always noted for their courage, and earned the praise of Moore (1797) in battles against the French uniforms and fine figures of the players part in many of the small wars on the West Coast. In 1860 the Badibu people (Gambia), having quarrelled with a British firm over non-payment of a debt due to them, seized some trading schooners by way of reprisal; a force of 400 sailors and marines, 800 men of the 1st and 2nd West India Regiments, and 600 Gambian Militia was sent against stockaded towns Private S. Hodge gained the V.C. for conspicuous bravery in cutting a way for the troops through the stockade Ashanti War of 1873-74 the two West India Regiments bore the whole brunt of the beyond the Prah before the white troops

"Guadeloupe" and "Martinique" in the Napoleonic wars. At the time of its disbandment the last survivor of the West India Regiments mustered about 900 rank and file. The throwing of so many men out of employment in a small colony like Jamaica is a serious matter: but, no doubt, W. F. H.

ABYSSINIA CLAIMS BUT A SINGLE NEWSPAPER

The Empire of Abyssinia, whose the local governmental staffs were depleted by sickness or other causes. Among the officers who entered the Colonial Service in this way were Major Bravo, who acted for a time as Governor of Sierra Leone, and Sir Alfred Maloney, who rose to be Governor of Lagos and Trinidad.

War Record.

In peace the men of the regiments have always been intell for their services in the manner of the regiments have always been intell for their services. The Empire of Abyssinia, whose sovereign is the Negus Negusti, or King of Kings, possesses but the new sales of the Negus Negusti, or King of Kings, possesses but the new sales of the Negus Negusti, or King of Kings, possesses but the new sales of the new service in the new sales of the Negus Negusti, or King of Kings, possesses but the new sales of the new sal number bears the signature of the Emperor. Its contents comprise the inevitable Chronique Scandaleus," elaborate descriptions of court and church celebrations on the 150 holidays of the Abysenian calendar, reports from the various provinces of the empire, and, of course, all the imperial rescripts.

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SEEKS NEW LINER FOR NEGROES

The Rev. J. E. Lewis Hopes to Raise \$50,000 for Liberia Venture

San Pedro, Cal., April 7.-The Rev. J.

E. Lewis, self-styled president of the L4berian Transportation Steamship Company and Church of God Line, is starting another campaign to obtain money to buy a vessel to carry negroes to Liberia, he announced yesterday.

The negro promoter's most widely advertised venture was the building of the Ark of the Living God here about five years ago. It sank shortly after sliding off the ways. He now hopes to raise \$50,000 for the purchase of the British steamer Nayarit and says a nationwide campaign is under way to collect the funds.